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FOR ANDREWS FROM WILGIS

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1. JDC. THANK YOU FOR THE CAUTION ABOUT HOLDING CLOSELY THE INFORMATION CONCERNING EXCHANGE RATES AND GOH DONATION (STATE 157727).

2. AGAIN, THANKS FOR THE PROGRAM YOU PUT TOGETHER FOR THE GYOVAI AND BOGNOR VISIT (STATE 157293). WE ARE HIGHLY APPRECIATIVE OF WHAT YOU DID FOR THESE TWO MEN.

3. WE HAVE RECEIVED ALL THREE RESPONSES WHICH WE REQUESTED IN BUDAPEST 2448. THE REPLY WE RECEIVED FROM FBO (STATE 160414) WAS NOT TOO RESPONSIVE TO OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. HOWEVER, WE WILL TRY TO WORK WITH IT. WE WILL BE MEETING SHORTLY WITH THE DSD AND HOPE TO HAVE NEW RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW WE CAN PROCEED. WE ARE BECOMING CONCERNED ABOUT HOW LONG IT IS TAKING US TO RESUME THE PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS. AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE UNDER THE GUN FROM THE LAST INSPECTION REPORT TO MOVE RAPIDLY TOWARD A SOLUTION, AND WE WANT TO MOVE AHEAD NOT ONLY FOR THIS REASON BUT FOR THE BENEFITS THAT A PROPERTY SETTLEMENT WOULD BRING US.

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4. THE NAGY VISIT. THE PROGRAM YOU HAVE PUT TOGETHER FOR NAGY LOOKS GOOD. WE HAVE INFORMED HIM GENERALLY ABOUT WHAT HE CAN EXPECT AND HAVE TOLD HIM THAT HE WILL RECEIVE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT HIS APPOINTMENTS FROM THE HUNGARIAN EMBASSY. NAGY IS IN A GOOD MOOD RIGHT NOW AND HIS CONVERSATIONS IN WASHINGTON SHOULD BE INTERESTING. YOU MAY WANT, IF RPM AGREES, TO FLOAT WITH HIM THE IDEA OF BILATERAL CSCE CONSULTATIONS IN THE FALL, ALONG THE LINES

OF OUR 2503.

5. WE UNDERSTAND FROM THE HUNGARIANS THAT YOU HAVE ACCEPTED OUR RECOMMENDATION THAT NAGY HOLD A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH EE WORKING-LEVEL EXPERTS. NAGY IS APPROACHING THIS DISCUSSION WITH BOTH ANTICIPATION AND TREPIDATION. HE IS BRINGING PETRAN SO THAT HE CAN FIELD QUESTIONS RELATING TO CSCE AND OTHER MULTI-LATERAL SUBJECTS, SUCH AS MBFR. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT RPM PARTICIPATE IN THIS ROUNDTABLE. WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE WELL ATTENDED BY EXPERTS FROM VARIOUS USG AGENCIES. IT WILL BE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE THE WORKING LEVEL IN WASHINGTON A GOOD FEEL FOR HUNGARIAN FOREIGN POLICY.

6. OUR RESPONSE TO YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT TRADE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR NEXT OFFICIAL-INFORMAL. IT IS TAKING US A LITTLE LONGER THAN WE ANTICIPATED TO DRAFT OUR RESPONSE. IT WILL BE IN YOUR HANDS PROMPTLY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR BRINGING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION AT THIS STAGE.
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